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HOUSE BILL NO. 1324

96TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Reported from the Committee on Agriculture, Food Production and Outdoor Resources, May 10, 2012, with recommendation that the Senate Committee Substitute do pass.

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TERRY L. SPIELER, Secretary.

AN ACT

To amend chapter 262, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to the right to raise domesticated animals.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Chapter 262, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new 2 section, to be known as section 262.005, to read as follows:

262.005. 1. Agriculture which provides food, energy, and security is the foundation and stabilizing force of Missouri's economy. To protect this vital sector of Missouri's economy, it shall be the right of persons to raise livestock, as defined in section 144.010, and poultry in a manner adhering to state and local laws and ordinances.

2. Nothing in this section shall be construed or interpreted to limit the authority of the department of agriculture or the state veterinarian to carry out the department's statutory and regulatory responsibilities and functions as currently and hereafter provided under chapters 261 to 281, chapter 350, and chapters 411 to 414 and all rules and regulations promulgated thereunder.

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